

IN MY EXPERIENCE

More than the number of person IN a house, it's the number of cars associated with that house that are a source of neighborhood clutter and friction. The main objective of living near the college is that a car is not necessary. Noise and parties can be handled with a simple phone call. High traffic volume and parking limitations cannot. This looks like a great opportunity to get a handle on this problem as well.

Let me say first, thanks for the work you are doing.

I'M HERE TO ASK YOU IN PERSON

~~I would like you~~ to consider some form of parking permit limit per household as part of your final recommendation.

Many of the streets on which rentals are found require city issued parking permits.

Still, as you are aware, the problem of too many cars has been identified as ~~one~~ <sup>ONE</sup> problem that may be linked to rentals and the numbers of unrelated persons residing in one house, each having their own vehicle.

Even today, assuming the three person rule is followed, with three cars per household and 10 rental units in a neighborhood, this represents 30 additional vehicles.

In my own neighborhood, the residents who are not students, including non student renters, generally have one car parked on the street per household. The residence that is student occupied generally has three vehicles parked on the street. But it is not because this is a student household that the number of cars is greater but only that these are unrelated persons living together, so this is a potential problem whether the residents are students or not.

I would like to suggest that the number of vehicles eligible to receive an off street parking permit be limited to two per household. The residents would still have their own driveway to park in as well. This would help to relieve many of the parking problems that we hear about and make our City a more attractive, uncluttered place to live.

Such a limit will be especially important if you do decide to recommend allowing for more than three unrelated persons per household.

The regulation for obtaining parking permits currently has no limit on the number of permits allowed per household. Three drivers in one home can now each obtain a permit, park on the street, and allow other drivers to use the driveway.

To obtain an off street parking permit, the resident must present a lease or show the auto registration identifying the property as their address. A renter, who is not on the lease, can just as easily register their car to that address as their own,

since of course they live there, and so obtain a parking permit as well. The point is that the three person rule does not preclude a household from obtaining more than three parking permits.

As you can see, there are lots of permutations and it is probable that intelligent renters have taken advantage of them all. As a case in point, we have three cars at our household and if we have guests, and since I have a parking permit for all three, I will park these on the street and allow the guests to park in the driveway.

I would be willing to give up this infrequently used privilege, and I think others would to, in order to keep our streets open and uncluttered and avoid some of the parking battles we've all heard about.

In conclusion, I'm asking you to consider recommending a limitation of the <sup>on</sup> street parking privilege to two vehicles per household, with exceptions for those homes which have no off street parking of their own. This will be especially critical if you decide to recommend more than three unrelated persons per household.

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This will solve a major component of the <sup>unrelated persons</sup> rental problem - an immediate and enforceable way to solve <sup>both</sup> present and future traffic and parking problems